

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
DURGAPUR-713209, WEST BENGAL, INDIA**

**Minutes of the 56th Meeting of Board of Governors of NIT Durgapur held on
25th November, 2020 at 12:30 pm Via: Google meet (Online) at NIT Durgapur.**

The following members attended the Meeting:

Prof. (Retd.) Sadanand Sadashiv Gokhale Chairperson of BoG National Institute of Technology Durgapur Durgapur-713209	Chairperson
Prof. Anupam Basu Director National Institute of Technology Durgapur Durgapur-713209	Member
Mrs. Darshana M Dabral JS & FA (IFD) Deptt. of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi- 110 001	Member
Shri Madan Mohan ADG(HE) Deptt. of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001	Member
Dr. D.K. Majumdar Former Professor (DIPSAR) University of Delhi, C-8, IDPL Apartments Plot No.-GH10, Sector 10A Gurgaon-122001	Member
Prof. V.K. Tewari Director Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur, Kharagpur, West Bengal, India, Pin – 721 302	Member
Dr. Mitali Mukerji, Senior Principal Scientist CSIR, IGIB, South Campus, Mathura Road, Opp: Sukhdev Vihar Bus Depot New Delhi 110025.	Member

<p>Prof. Parthapratim Gupta Professor, Department of Chemical Engineering, National Institute of Technology Durgapur</p>	<p>Member (Senate Nominee)</p>
<p>Prof. Suchismita Roy, Professor Department of Computer Science and Engineering NIT Durgapur Pin – 713209</p>	<p>Member (Senate Nominee)</p>
<p>Shri Soumya Sen Sharma, Registrar, National Institute of Technology Durgapur</p>	<p>Secretary</p>

Dr. Jyotsna Dhawan, Chief Scientist, CCMB, Hyderabad, Mr. Sanjay Jhunjhunwala CEO, Mani Group could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence by the Chairperson, Board of Governors.

The Chairperson, Board of Governors welcomed all members of the Board to the 56th meeting of the Board of Governors.

56.01 To confirm the Minutes of the 55th. Meeting of the Board of Governors held on November 5, 2019 at the IIT Kharagpur Kolkata Campus, HC Block, Sector – III, Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700106.

The Minutes of the 55th. Meeting of the Board of Governors held on November 5, 2019 at the IIT Kharagpur Kolkata Campus, HC Block, Sector – III, Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700106 were confirmed by the Board.

56.02 To note the Actions Taken on the Minutes of the 55th. Meeting of the Board of Governors held on November 5, 2019 at the IIT Kharagpur Kolkata Campus, HC Block, Sector – III, Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700106.

The actions taken on the minutes of the 55th meeting of the Board of Governors were noted.

56.03 To ratify the resolutions taken by the BoG through circulation and approvals by Chairman, BoG on exigent matters during the Covid-19 pandemic period

56.03.01 To consider the seat matrix and implementation of the fee structure for all academic programs for the academic year 2020-2021. (56th Senate meeting; Item No. 56.5)

The Board ratified the seat matrix and implementation of the revised fee structure for all academic programs for the academic year 2020-2021.

56.03.02 To decide on the further course of action on the MSW program (56th Senate meeting; Item No. 56.7):

The Board ratified the resumption of MSW program from the academic session 2020-21. However, a revised proposal for reviewing the course fees shall be put up for consideration of the Chairman, Board of Governors.

A relook at the course fees for this course, new courses as well as MSc may be undertaken.

56.03.03 To consider introduction of two new M. Sc. Programs in Life Science and Applied Geology and Geoinformatics from 2020-21.

The Board ratified the introduction of two new M. Sc. Programs in Life Science and Applied Geology and Geoinformatics from 2020-21 without additional financial implication.

56.03.04 To consider introduction of the Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Honorary Research Fellow and Multidisciplinary Research Projects (56th Senate meeting; Item No. 56.9):

The Board ratified the introduction of Post-Doctoral Fellowships, Honorary Research Fellows/Scientists and Multidisciplinary Research Projects. The expenditure for the schemes, as applicable, shall be met from the IRG.

56.03.05 To admit foreign students to the UG, PG and PhD programs under “Study in India” program (Item No. 56.10)

The Board ratified the admission of foreign students to the UG, PG and PhD programs under “Study in India” programme. It was suggested to contact the concerned Government of India official to sort out the issues faced by the Institute while implementing the scheme.

56.03.06 To implement the revision in the CPDA guidelines by the then MHRD on online teaching.

The Board of Governors ratified the implementation/adoption of the revision in CPDA guidelines by the then MHRD for online teaching.

56.03.07 To implement the clause-wise amendments in the Statutes of the NITs and IEST as per order no F. No. 35-5/2017-TS-III dated October 27, 2020.

The Board of Governors ratified the adoption of implementation of the clause-wise amendments in the statutes of NITs and IEST.

56.03.08 To approve the confirmation of the faculty members on completion of their respective probation periods.

The Board of Governors ratified the confirmation of the faculty members.

56.04 To consider the Minutes of the 38th meeting of the Building & Works Committee held on October 20, 2020.

The Board approved the Minutes of the 38th meeting of the Building & Works Committee, with the stipulations as pointed out in the FC meeting.

56.05 To consider the Minutes of the 50th meeting of the Finance Committee held on November 25, 2020.

The Board approved the Minutes of the 50th meeting of the Finance Committee.

56.06 Director's Report on the initiatives undertaken since the last meeting of the Board of Governors.

The initiatives undertaken by the Director were noted with due appreciation. The Board further permitted conduction of online interviews for the advertised posts for recruitment of faculty.

It was resolved that the reservation roster will be prepared over the vacant positions among the approved positions (71 in number out of 285)

56.07 To consider the recommendations of the Senate made in its 56th meeting held on January 24, 2020 and 57th meeting to be held on November 12, 2020

56.07.01 To consider signing MoUs with academia, industries and research institutions (Item No. 56.13)

The Board of Governors recommended signing MoUs with academia, industries and research institutions and onward transmission to the Ministry for the final approval for the MoUs with foreign partners.

56.07.02 To formulate the Strategic Plan of the Institute (Item 56.15]

The Board of Governors approved the Strategic Plan of the Institute.

56.07.03 To consider the norms for offering online courses as suggested by the MHRD (Item 57.11)

Approved in principle without any additional financial implications.

56.07.04 To offer joint masters/PhD programs with other foreign/ national universities/ institutes/ research organizations (Item 57.12)

Approved in principle. Details of the programs to be placed in the next meeting of the Board of Governors. It was decided that separate MoUs shall be executed for each individual programme.

56.07.05 To nominate faculty representatives in the BoG (Item 57.15)

The Board of Governors approved the invitation of nominations from the Senate for choice of faculty representative to the BoG.

56.08 To consider the application regarding Extra Ordinary Leave (EOL) of Mr. Sayon Bhattacharjee, Assistant Registrar.

The Board approved Extra Ordinary Leave (EOL) not exceeding ~~a later~~ of 18 months commencing from May 23, 2020 to Mr. Sayon Bhattacharjee, Assistant Registrar. No further extension will be permitted.

56.09 To consider the engagement of a Training & Placement Adviser on a contractual basis on consolidated pay.

The Board approved the proposal for contractual appointment of a suitably initiated Training & Placement Adviser whose performance would be assessed annually for continuation to the next year. Expenditure towards the salary shall be met from the IRG.

56.10 To consider the recruitment of officers in the vacant positions

The Board of Governors approved the recruitment of officers against vacant positions in a phased manner based on the priority of the Institute.

56.11 To consider enhancing the financial limit of the Dean (Research & Consultancy) for better functioning of the SRCC.

The Board approved enhancement of the financial power of Dean (Research & Consultancy) from Rs. 2 Lakh to Rs. 5 Lakh for better functioning of the SRCC.

56.12 To consider the Leave Rules for the teaching staff of the Institute.

The Board approved the Leave Rules for the teaching staff of the Institute.

56.13 To report the progress on TEQIP-III to the Board

The Board of Governors approved the progress of TEQIP-III with the proviso that some funds need to be allocated for graduate employability development.

56.14 To consider the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2019-2020

The Board approved the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2019-2020.

56.14.A: To consider the prayer of Prof. P.P. Sengupta for approval of appointment to the post of Professor in the HAG Scale pending since 2019.

The Board strongly recommended the exoneration of Prof. P.P. Sengupta from the charges levied against him and resolved that a communication to this effect shall be sent by the Chairman, BoG to the concerned authorities.

56.15 Any other item with the permission of the chair.

As there were no other item, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



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Registrar & Secretary,
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